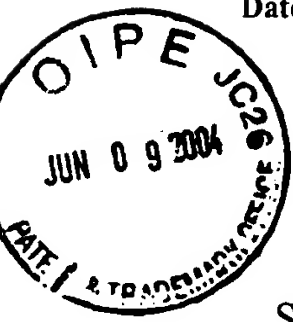


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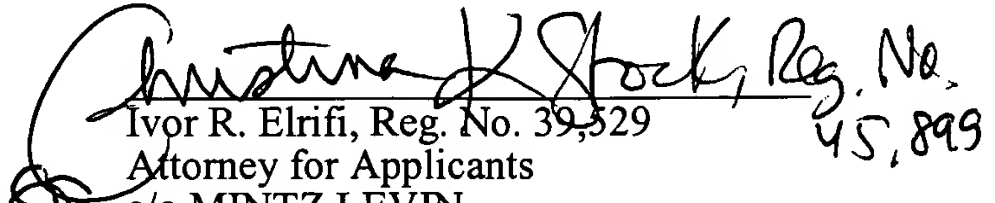
Enclosed herewith are the following for the above-identified non-provisional patent application:

- 1) Response to December 9, 2003 Office Action (17 pgs.);
- 2) Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg., in duplicate);
- 3) Check No. 18805 in the amount of \$475.00 for extension fee;
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- 5) Return Postcard.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114, Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 09/635,949. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request; 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is an Amendment and Response to Final Office Action. With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants believe that the Amendment and Response to the Final Office Action should be entered and considered.

Applicants believe no additional fee is due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with the papers transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-559 (Cura-59).

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